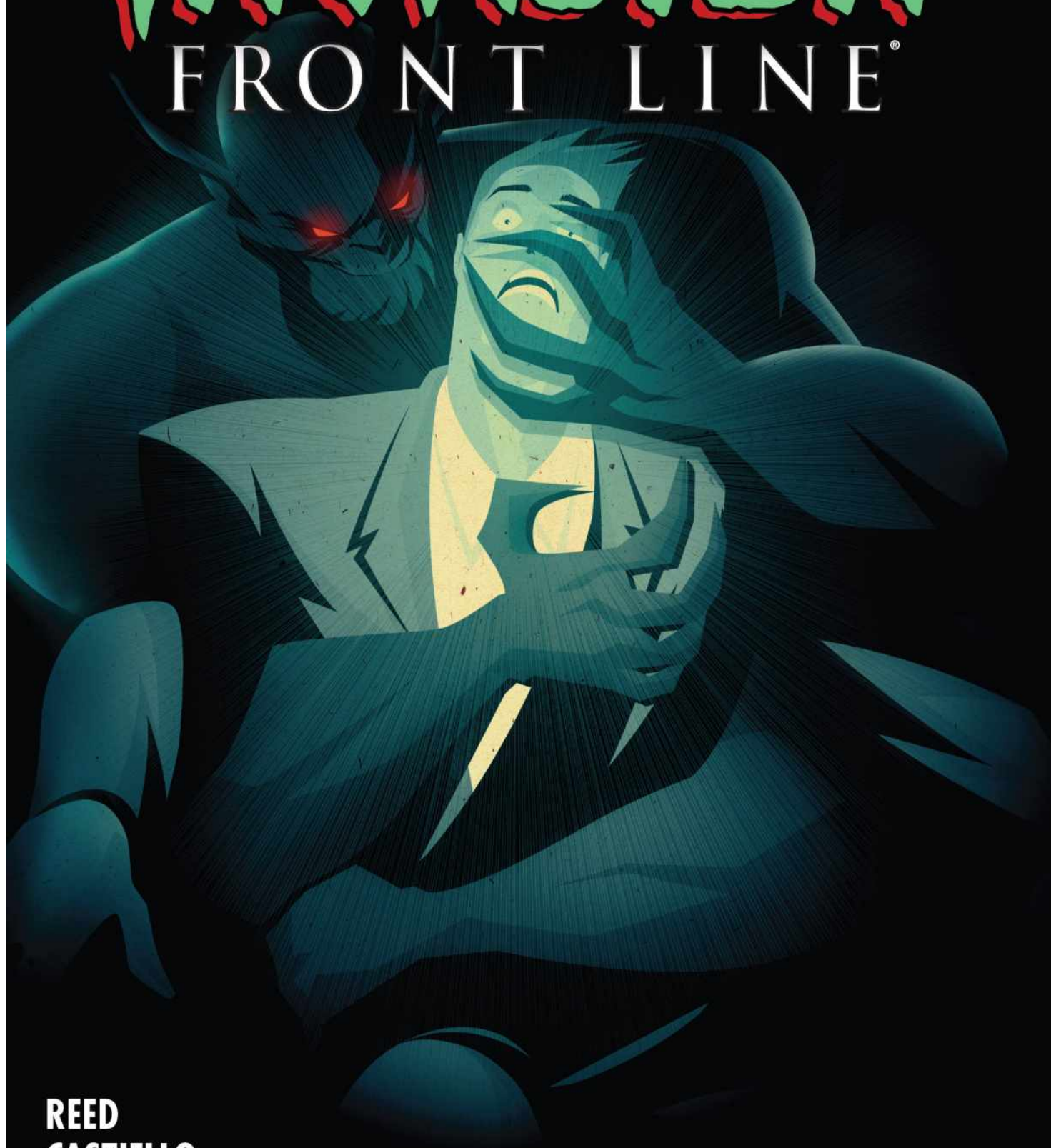


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BEN URICH

Editor in Chief, FRONT LINE.



DOCTOR MOLLY YOUNG

Emergency room doctor.



JONATHAN BRYANT

New York City cab driver.



VINCENT CRANE

President of a successful design firm.



MELANIE CRANE

Vincent's daughter.



OFFICER BILL DAWSON

N.Y.P.D.

It is the morning of the Skrull Invasion. The Battle of Manhattan is in its opening hours, and the city is falling to Skrull might.

Ben Urich has barely survived a Skrull attack on a hospital emergency room...

Jonathan Bryant witnessed the Skrull invasion of Times Square, and as the world collapses around him, he comes close to his breaking point...

Bill Dawson is wounded, and trapped on a bus full of innocent people as Skrulls have them cornered...

Vincent Crane and his daughter Melanie are amongst those trapped inside Stark Tower after security protocols seal it shut. Unknown to them, a Skrull is also inside the building, hunting humans for sport...





INVASION MINUS 14 HOURS 54 MINUTES

"BEN URICH INTERVIEWING
MELANIE CRANE. IT IS...A
LITTLE OVER EIGHTEEN HOURS
SINCE THE INVASION BEGAN.
HELLO, MELANIE."

"HI."

"MELANIE, YOU'RE ONE OF
THE **YOUNGER** PEOPLE I'VE
SEEN HERE IN THE CITY TODAY."

"YEAH. I WAS
SUPPOSED TO BE IN
SCHOOL. BUT I..."

"MISTER URICH, ARE
YOU SURE YOU WANT
TO BE TALKING TO
ME? I-I DON'T
KNOW WHAT YOU
WANT ME TO SAY."

"I JUST WANT TO HEAR **YOUR** STORY. I'M
TALKING TO EVERYONE WHO MADE IT HERE
TO GRAND CENTRAL. I'M TRYING
TO RECORD AS MUCH AS I CAN."

"MY STORY IS THAT MY MOM AND DAD
WERE SEPARATING, AND SHE WAS GOING
TO LOS ANGELES AND WANTED ME TO
GO WITH HER...AND I THREW A FIT."

"AND NOW...NOW
MY DAD'S DEAD."

"AND IF MOM'S
DEAD TOO..."

"IF SHE'S DEAD, THE LAST
CONVERSATION WE EVER
HAD ENDED WITH
ME **SCREAMING** AT HER."

**STARK TOWER.
INVASION PLUS 53 MINUTES.**



MELANIE?

31st FLOOR

MELANIE?
YOU OKAY?

I...YEAH. I
WAS JUST--
LAST NIGHT...

DAD, I WAS *STUPID*.
COMING HERE TODAY--
I WAS JUST BEING REALLY
SELFISH AND--

MELANIE, I'M
SO HAPPY YOU'RE
HAVING A MOMENT
OF *MATURITY*. BUT
RIGHT NOW IS REALLY
NOT THE TIME,
OKAY?

ANYBODY
SEEN WHERE JIM
WENT?

JIM!

WHERE DID HE GO?

JIM? JIM! WHERE ARE YOU?

JIM!
WHERE ARE
YOU?





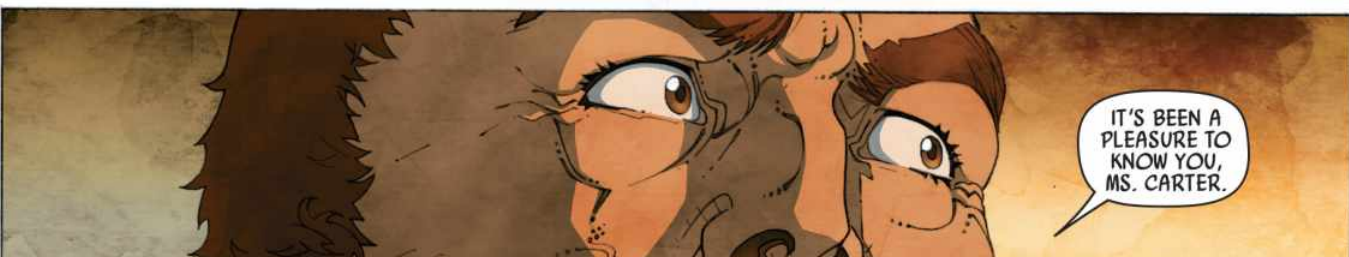
THE M5 BUS LINE. INVASION PLUS 53 MINUTES.



WE HAVE
TO GET OUT
OF HERE!

HAH.



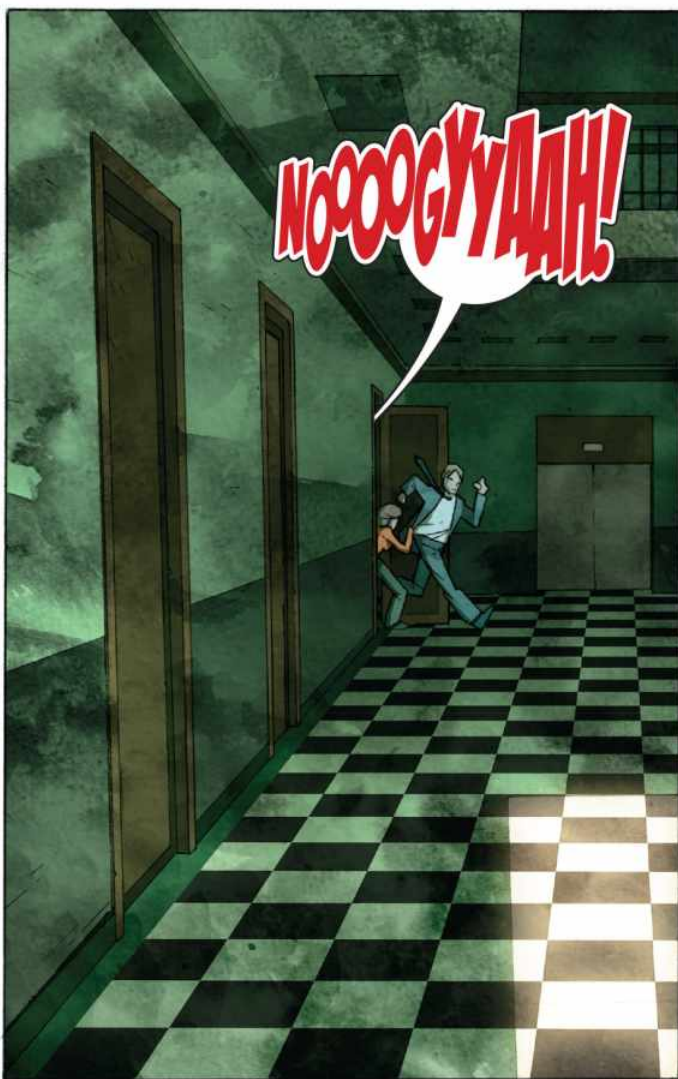












НОВОГУДНІ!



WE NEED TO
JAM THIS DOOR
SHUT. FIND
SOMETHING TO--

DADDY?

MELANIE,
BY THE ELEVATOR,
THERE MIGHT BE
SOME FURNITURE
WE CAN--

DADDY!

LOOK!



THERE'S
NO SECURITY
PLATE ON THAT
WINDOW!

WE CAN GET
OUTSIDE!



WE
CAN GET
OUTSIDE!



MELANIE, WE
ARE THIRTY STORIES
IN THE SKY! UNLESS
YOU CAN FLY--



WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?

I WANT TO
BAR THE OFFICE
DOOR SHUT.



BUT
EVERYONE ELSE
IS IN THERE!

SHHH! THAT
THING MAY HEAR
YOU!

WITH THAT
COUGH IN THE WAY--
THEY WON'T BE ABLE
TO GET OUT!



EVERYONE ELSE IS VERY
LIKELY ALREADY DEAD!
AND UNLESS WE WANT TO
BE DEAD TOO, WE ARE
GOING TO BLOCK
THIS DOOR!

WE CAN'T JUST
SEAL THEM IN WITH
THAT MONSTER!



MELANIE! WE'RE
STILL SEALED IN
WITH IT TOO!

THAT WINDOW IS
OPEN, BUT THE REST
OF THE BUILDING--

WE'LL--WE'LL USE ONE
OF THE AUXILIARY STAIRCASES,
OKAY? WE'LL GET DOWN TO THE



MAYBE THERE ARE OTHER
WINDOWS THAT ARE STILL
OPEN?! CLOSER TO THE
GROUND?

MAYBE IF
WE GET EVERYONE











